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Technology Center 1792

Confirmation No. 3800

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	RINK, <i>et al.</i>	Examiner:	Vinh, L.
Serial No.:	10/563,924	Group Art Unit:	1792
Filed:	January 9, 2006	Docket No.:	NL031292US1
Title:	METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND AN APPARATUS FOR USE IN SUCH A METHOD		

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In acknowledgement of the final Office Action dated October 17, 2008, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A complete listing of the claims, with amendments to incorporate underlying limitations, and Remarks/Arguments follow.

**Authorization is provided to charge/credit Deposit Account 50-0996  
(NXPS.531PA) \$220.00 for one additional independent claim, plus any requisite fees/overages to enter this paper.**